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Please telephone the undersigned at (408) 396-1112 if there are any questions regarding this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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		US3504457	04/07/1970	Jacobsen et al.	
		US5257478	11/02/1993	Hyde et al.	
		US5514245	05/07/1996	Doan et al.	
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		US5609718	03/11/1997	Meikle	
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OTHER DOCUMENTS AND NON-PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS

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		International Search Report for PCT/US04/33591, Thomas West, Inc., Filed 10/12/04

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